Slum Improvement Project for Bangalore city.

3041. SHRI K.C. KONDAIAH: Will the Minisrter of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Karnataka Government proposes to take up Slum Improvement Project for Bangalore city;

(b) if so, the total cost of the proposed project;

(c) the number of slum dwellers estimated to be benefited from the proposed project in Bangalore city; and

(d) the action, if any, taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Rs. 508.88 crore.

(c) 6.88 lakh slum dwellers.

(d) The Govt, of Karnataka proposes to take up slum improvement project for Bangalore city with the external assistance from the Japan Bank for International Cooperation (JBIC). The project proposal after receipt of the comments of the Planning Commission could be forwarded to Department of Economic Affairs for taking up the matter with JBIC.

Metro rail projects for cities with more than five million population

3042. SHRI PARMESHWAR KUMARAGARWALLA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Delhi Metro Rail Corporation has requested the Planning Commission for giving approval to metro rail projects in cities having more than five million population so as to solve the increasing problem of traffic congestion;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) Planning Commission has informed that no proposal has been received in the Planning Commission for giving approval to Metro Rail Projects in cities having more than five million people.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Does not arise.

Construction of dwelling units with HUDCO loans in Andhra Pradesh

3043. DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) The loans released by HUDCO to the State Government of Andhra Pradesh for the construction of dwelling units in the State during the last three years; year-wise;

(b) the target of construction of dwelling units in the State during each of the said period;

(c) whether targets have been achieved during the said period;

(d) if not, the details of backlog and the reasons for such backlog; and

(e) the action taken by Government and HUDCO in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) Housing & Urban Development Corporation Ltd. (HUDCO) has released a total of Rs. 927.28 crore during the last 3 years as indicated below: